IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		Examiner of 09/846,498:	Alvin J. Stewart
Mandrusov et al.			
Serial No.:	New—Divisional of 09/846,498	Art Unit for 09/846,498:	3738
Filed:	Herewith		
Title:	Method of Manufacturing a Stent Coating and a Method of Using the Stent		

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner:

Please amend the above-identified divisional application as indicated below. The amendments are fully supported by the written description. Also, no new matter has been introduced into the application.